

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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--Fig. 7 illustrates a cable television system comprising a central configuration and data terminal equipment where data is transmitted therebetween over cables for implementation, according to the present invention, of delay-critical services.--;

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--In the description of Figs. 4-6, which follows, reference may be had to the cable television system illustrated in Fig. 7, which comprises a central configuration and several data terminal equipment in a data transmission connection, where data is transmitted by cables.

The central configuration comprises means for receiving data from data terminal equipment in accordance with a time-division principle in slots and includes means for establishing control commands to assign the slots for the use of separate data terminal equipment. In such a cable television system, at least one data terminal equipment includes means for receiving control commands from the central configuration and further includes means for transmitting digital data to the central configuration in burst form in a slot defined by the control commands. According to the present invention, the central configuration further comprises means for resynchronizing the control commands so that they assign mini-slots for the use of separate data terminal equipment, which are temporally shorter than the slots. Moreover, the data

terminal equipment further
comprises means for
transmitting data as mini-
bursts the size of a mini-slot
so that the data terminal
equipment is provided to
transmit data as bursts or
mini-bursts according to what
kind of control commands it
receives from the central
configuration.--.